

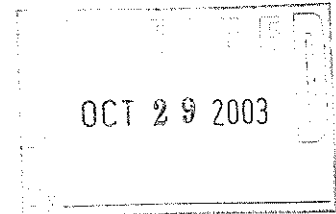


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October 27, 2003



Ms. Kathleen Brady, AICP
Principal of Technical Services
BonTerra Consulting
151 Kalmus Drive, Suite E-200
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Subject: E-mail responses to Notice of Preparation (NOP) Environmental
Impact Report for Long Beach Airport Terminal Area Improvements

Dear Ms. Brady:

Attached are hard copies of the e-mail comments the City received through
October 23, 2003 at the designated e-mail address (airporteir@longbeach.gov) for
the above referenced NOP.

Sincerely,

Mark Christoffels
City Engineer

Attachments

P:/pw/ce/mark/airport.e-mail transmittal

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"Rebecca Stahley"
<StahleRS@abilityone.
com>

10/06/2003 12:01 PM

To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov.>
cc:
Subject: Expansion of the Long Beach Airport

To: Angela Reynolds, Environmental Officer

I am a home owner in California Heights and live close to the Long Beach Airport.

I am concerned about the possibility of expanding the terminals at the Long Beach

Airport which would result in an increase of flights out of Long Beach. In the time

that I have lived here it seems that the flights have significantly increased which

makes it difficult for me to operate on the phone in my home office. I often have to

pause while talking with customers as the jets fly overhead.

There have also been times when the runway has had problems and the aircrafts were diverted directly over our house which caused an extreme disturbance with noise, rattling windows etc.

I am also concerned about the pollution which is already here not to mention the

increase in pollution that would come from an increased number of flights.

Please, do whatever you can to stop the expansion and preserve the historic, lovely neighborhoods that surround the airport.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Becky Stahley
3640 Rose Ave
Long Beach CA 90807
(562) 595-0887



Monkutare1@aol.com

10/06/2003 10:48 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: airport flights

Dear Ms Reynolds:

Long Beach residents breathe what may be the dirtiest air in America. Thank you for at least the little relief your rejection of more flights at the Long Beach Airport will bring.

Reduced flights will help alleviate stress from the constant bombardment of dirt and noise put upon us.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Ross

Long Beach, Ca



Meemee39@aol.com

10/07/2003 09:37 PM

To: airpoteir@long beach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: Long Beach Airport Expansion

To: Angela Reynolds, Environmental Officer, Planning and Building
Living under the 40 commercial + 3 commuter flights per day is bad enough.
We have lived in our home for over 40 years and have always loved it here,
especially sitting out on our patio. It is, however, becoming less and less
pleasurable for us due to the noise caused by the increase in flights going
over

all day every day.

Please, please don't make it worse for us.

Thank you.

Mr.&Mrs. Donald W. Ball

4255 Boyar Avenue

Long Beach, California 90807



Swopester@aol.com

10/08/2003 02:34 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Fwd: airport noise

----- Message from Swopester@aol.com on Wed, 8 Oct 2003 17:32:05 EDT -----

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov.

Subject: airport noise

The airport noise is out of control. Not only dose it go on all day and all night long at this point, but it is also costing me lost time and money. Some of us work nights and need to sleep during the day. This is not as easy task, I have put new windows in my home to improve the quality of sleep I receive and to keep out the never ending noise of the jets screaming over my house. Although the windows cut out some noise, it doesn't solve the problem. Than theirs the shaking of my home. I am right over the take of flights as the noise filters down to me so dose the shock waves. My home is vibrating and walls and ceilings are cracking this to has cost me money to maintain and fix the problems. Something needs to be done to protect my investment as well as the future of our neighborhood.

One last note. This airport dose not benefit me in any way. It is much cheaper for my family and I to travel out of lax than longbeach.

Sincerely,
Dale f. Swope
4400 walnut Ave.
longbeach, ca 90807



Peter Greenfield
<peter_greenfield@yah
oo.com>

To: airportair@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Question about Flight ordinance

10/08/2003 07:42 PM

I have been reading the "Notice of Preparation and Scoping" posted on the LGB website. I am confused by the wording regarding the restriction on the number of flights. In the document, this restriction is frequently referred to as a "minimum" of 41 flights per day. Here is an example from page 6:

"As a result of the settlement, the City was permitted to enact Chapter 16.43 of the Municipal Code. Chapter 16.43 permits air carriers to operate a minimum of 41 airline flights per day while commuter carriers are permitted to operate a minimum of 25 flights per day. There are provisions in the ordinance allowing the number of flights to be increased if the air carrier flights and commuter flights operate below their respective Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) limits3."

Should this not be a "maximum" of 41 flights per day, and a "maximum" of 25 commuter flights per day? If it were a minimum number, then wouldn't the airlines be required to conduct at least those numbers of flights, and more? It doesn't make any sense to me.

Also, is the project described in this report (mostly expanding the facilities) the extent of the controversial airport expansion? Are there additional plans in the works to increase the number of permitted flights? Also, will the shorter east-west runways be used more extensively for commercial flights? I believe this would be environmentally undesirable, since there are major residential areas at the ends of these runways.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I await your reply.

Sincerely,

Peter L. Greenfield
3698 California Avenue
Long Beach, California 90807

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Bruce Greenberg
<bagreenberg@netzer
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To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: Airport Expansion

10/09/2003 07:50 PM

I live at 1031 Claiborne and the departing flights go right over my house. I support airport expansion provided the additional flights are the newer & quieter jets and heavier fines are imposed for flights after 10:00 p.m. During summer or any time the windows are open, I can't hear the TV for about 30 seconds when the flights go over, so I press the mute button and dialog for the deaf pops up. A very small inconvenience for the benefits the airport brings. According to LBHush, the airport can have an extra 23 flights. That would be great for the Long Beach economy. As for property values, we've lived with the airport for years and have you seen the prices of Bixby Knolls & Virginia CC houses? Buyers simply have little concern because the impact is so minimal. As for the health issues, anyone who thinks a little noise creates "physiological stress" doesn't have a life, anyway. Some people will complain about anything; complaining makes them feel better. Trus stress is not having a job, not having money for food, etc. We must do everything to boost our local economy as long as the sacrafices are nominal and a few seconds of noise a couple of times during reasonable hours is minimal. Thanks for listening. Bruce A. Greenberg



David Finch
<res0xwv@verizon.net>

To: airport@longbeach.gov
cc: district7@ci.long-beach.ca.us
Subject: Jet at 2am

10/10/2003 02:19 AM

I was just jarred from sleep quite dramatically by a huge jet flying directly over my house at 2 this morning. I can not get back to sleep because it was so shattering of a surprise. This has happened more frequently and I would like my complaint to be registered some how. I have also called the airport hotline to complain.

Every day I feel there is less concern or respect from the airport and the City--that there is a residential area with humans living and TRYING to sleep in it.

David Finch
3644 Gaviota Ave
Long Beach, CA 90807



"Mike Kells"
<mike.kells@verizon.net>

10/10/2003 08:13 AM

To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc: <r.gabelich@lbhush2.com>
Subject: NO RO AIRPORT EXPANSION

WE ARE AGAINST TO AIRPORT
EXPANSION +++++++

Mike/evelyn



"Dunn, Lisa"
<lisa.dunn@nissan-us
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10/10/2003 09:14 AM

To: "AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV"
<AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV>
cc: ".R.GABELICH@LBHUSH2.COM" <.R.GABELICH@LBHUSH2.COM>
Subject: Airport Issues

Hi,

My name is Lisa Dunn I reside at 3751 Falcon Avenue, Long Beach 90807 and I have owned my home here for 3 years. I have to tell you, since I have moved into this neighborhood the plane noise has completely disrupted my family and animals. My daughter has had many nights of waking up crying scared of the airplane noise and my one animal hides under the bed everytime he hears these big loud jets flying overhead, not to mention most of the time I'm on the phone talking I have to tell the other party to hold on a moment while the jets fly over. I really wished I had never moved into this neighborhood, it has one thing holding it back from being the best and that's the loud jets flying over! I cannot stress enough on how these loud jets MUST be controlled and I will fight this battle to the end!

Sincerely,

Lisa Dunn
Nissan North America, Inc.
Infiniti West Region
(310) 771-4525 (Office)
(310) 771-4501 (Fax)
lisa.dunn@nissan-usa.com



SMASHINGJB@aol.co
m

10/10/2003 10:02 AM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: airport expansion

I am totally against the expansion of the Long Beach Airport. On a nightly basis the noise has increase and the commercial flights have come more regularly. What's most irritating are the commercial flights that fly late at night. I can't tell you how many times a roaring aircraft has rummled my bed room and interrupted my sleep... I just want to scream!!!! In addition, are those prop planes which I believe are commuter flights that seem to fly within touching distance at 8:00 a.m. So much for ever a quiet morning. I have to leave my own neighborhood and stay with a friend inorder to ever sleep pass 8:00. I CAN'T STAND THAT!!!!!! I am a traveler and I refuse to fly out of Long Beach Airport. I refuse to support vocally or financially any part of the future development of this airport.

Sleepless Resident

NO ON LONG BEACH AIRPORT EXPANSION



KarenOMayer@aol.co
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10/10/2003 02:30 PM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc: rgabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: NO TO EXPANSION OF THE LB AIRPORT

I am concerned resident and am against expansion of the Long Beach airport. It is extremely annoying to endure the noise from the airplanes. Is there an alternative? Is there another route?

Concerned resident

Karen Mayer

310.466.6240 - Mobile

562.989.9669 - Home

562.989.9161 - Fax



"Tony and Rosemary"
<trfalcon@charter.net>

10/10/2003 10:46 AM

To: <AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV>
cc:
Subject: living under the take-off path

To whom it may concern,

My husband and I live under the take-off path of Long Beach Airport. Since the start of the 41 flights, it interrupts our sleep and our right to peace and quiet inside and outside our home.....We can't hear the TV or each other talking when a plane goes over. Also, when a plane goes over, we can't hear anyone on the telephone.

We are having a very difficult time with all the noise and pollution that is coming from these jets and we don't think it's right for the city to try and encourage more air traffic when our homes were here BEFORE there was all this commercial air transportation.

These jets take off over elementary and junior high schools too. Doesn't the health and well being of children even matter to this city? Interruption of education while these planes are going over can't be a good thing for children trying to hear the teacher, as well as the teacher concentrating on her lesson to students. What about when students are at play on the playground and the effects on their hearing?

It would be better to reduce the number of aircraft and not to increase it. The entire city must burden the added pollution and traffic regardless of whether noise impacts the entire city or not.

Sincerely,

Anthony and Rosemary Caruso
Long Beach



Daryl & Sheryl Stegall
<dstegall@charter.net>

10/10/2003 07:41 PM

To: AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV
cc: R.GABELICH@LBHUSH2.COM
Subject:

October 10, 2003

In regards to expansion at the Long Beach Airport:

I am a resident of the California Heights neighborhood, and when I purchased my home two years ago a main concern of mine was the noise from the airport. Both my realtor and neighbors assured me that the noise if any was minor and it never affected their daily routines. As you can imagine I was stunned a few weeks ago when the airport began construction on one of the existing runways. The noise was absolutely unbearable. When I was told through our California Heights president, that this construction on the runway would continue next year, I became very concerned. Not only did the noise keep me up very late; the vibrations from the airplanes rattled the inside of my house so much that I thought the windows were going to break. I suffer from migraine headaches as a result of which I have extreme sensitivity to noise. Therefore the increased airport disturbance has greatly affected my livelihood.

Another factor that concerns me is the volume of airplane traffic from all of the smaller planes that rent out spaces from the airport. These are often more of a nuisance than the larger jets because they fly so much lower and therefore cause more daily noise.

I am adamantly against any further construction to expand the Long Beach airport. Not only will the proposed expansion decrease the value of my house; it will severely disturb the inhabitants of this lovely neighborhood.

Thanks you for your consideration,
Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Stegall
3529 Myrtle Avenue
Long Beach, CA. 90807



BAJATED@aol.com

10/10/2003 08:55 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com, MRMoncure@aol.com,
MJMoncure@aol.com, BillMoncure@aol.com,
greenlightlb@yahoo.com, mdweal@yahoo.com
Subject: Long Beach Airport Environmental Impact Report Input

We recently received notice that we can provide input about the impact that the airport has on our life. We would like to take this opportunity to do so.

The Long Beach airport has made traveling to and from Long Beach much more convenient than in times past, and we generally support it, although there are a few items which are annoying. The most annoying is the Long Beach Police helicopter which passes directly over our house (3733 Cedar Ave) at least twice daily at 200 to 300 feet above the ground. It's loud and annoying, and wakes up our kids in the morning, which causes them to be grumpy all day. It also comes by at night usually when we're trying to put the kids to bed. For some reason the news helicopters and other training helicopters don't use this route or fly higher, because we don't notice them. I know it's Long Beach PD because I've seen them at AirFlite gassing up the helicopter. Please ask them to stop, or at least to fly at 500 to 700 feet above ground level, and maybe mix up their routes a bit. They also have a tendency to hover outside my brothers bedroom window over the water on the 6th floor of the Portofino building in Naples. He's called the police about this several times, but they don't seem to understand the negative impact that they are having by their inconsiderate flying behavior.

Other than the police helicopter, we don't have any real issues with the airport or further expansion to the total cap of 41 commercial and 25 commuter flights per day. We do think that turboprop and piston engine airplanes are less intrusive than the jets though, and would welcome a tradeoff for more piston engines and less jets if we had the choice; The jet engines are higher pitched and more obnoxious, and make it difficult to talk over, whereas the piston engines actually have a nice sound, especially the DC-3 that flies over our house at 7 AM every morning on the way to Catalina. We actually love the sound of that airplane, and our neighbors do too.

I apologize for the somewhat random comments, but I would like to summarize by reiterating our support for the Long Beach airport and the convenient transportation it offers, pointing out that in general the noise is not offensive to us, and that we'd like the city to restrict the police helicopter to more normal behavior, similar to the rest of the helicopters which use the airport daily. Feel free to contact us further with any questions. Thanks for considering our comments.

Sincerely,

Ted and Michele Moncure
3733 Cedar Ave
Long Beach, CA 90807



"Chris Vaughn"
<chris.tv@verizon.net>

10/11/2003 11:41 AM

To: <AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV>
cc: <R.GABELICH@LBHUSH2.COM>
Subject: AIRPLANE NOISE

My name is Christine Vaughn and my husband is Douglas Vaughn. We have two children who are adults now, we have lived at 4603 Goldfield Avenue for almost 32 years. Prior to us my grandparents owned this house and lived here since the house was built. In the past year, our lives have changed dramatically from the horrible, terrible amount of flights and noise that is allowed from the Long Beach Airport. I have called a few times to complain about the hour or level of noise from planes taking off over our house.

Most of the time you have to stop your conversation in your own house either with members of our family or on the phone when these planes take off. Our house has huge cracks that are caused by the planes shaking and rattling windows and the house on a daily basis, and this was prior to the 40+ that are now taking off sometimes every five minutes.

We work full time every weekday and still feel the huge impact on our daily lives from the noise every evening especially. Planes take off after 10:00 p.m. which we thought was illegal or not allowed as a courtesy to the neighborhood. Ha Ha, what a joke! Of course all that matters is \$\$\$\$\$. When original owners moved in here the Long Beach Airport was mostly small planes buzzing around and now look. They are trying to make it into a mini LAX. Everyone in our neighborhood hates what is happening, and we intend to speak up for all that it's worth. This is our home and our lives that are affected and the only ones who care are the people like us who own homes in either the take off pattern or landing pattern. I hope someone will help to protect our neighborhoods, maybe our city councilman will care. We shall see.



"John Mosquera"
<jamosquera@hotmail.com>

10/12/2003 10:02 AM

To: airpportair@longbeach.gov
cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com, riosr@mindspring.com,
sheilah_g@hotmail.com
Subject: Airport Expansion EIR - Attn: Angela Reynolds

Angela,

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Air Quality (both indoor and outdoor)

Cost to City of Long Beach to soundproof and provide indoor air cleaning for all homes impacted by the airport expansion

Traffic increase

Noise Pollution

Economic Impact

Disaster Recovery

Regards,

John Mosquera
3916 Falcon Ave
Long Beach, CA 90807

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----- Message from "John Mosquera" <jamosquera@hotmail.com> on Sun, 12 Oct 2003 17:00:40 +0000

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cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com, jamosquera@hotmail.com, riosr@mindspring.com,
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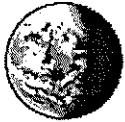
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John Mosquera
3916 Falcon Ave
Long Beach, CA 90807



Monkutare1@aol.com

10/12/2003 11:27 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov

cc:

Subject: EIR

We have very bad air in Long Beach. And we have very bad people to allow so many airplanes to terrorize us with noise and air pollution. Please see that this ceases as soon as possible and DECREASE the number of flights out of Long Beach Airport.

The stress from the increase in noise is bad for human beings, yes? And the air pollution can only be worse.

Yours truly,

SH and Grace Ross

Mark Christoffels
10/13/2003 09:03 AM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: NO MORE FLIGHTS

----- Forwarded by Mark Christoffels/PW/CLB on 10/13/2003 08:54 AM -----

"Doug Cabell" <dougcabell@socal.rr.com>

10/12/2003 11:00 PM

To: <mark_christoffels@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: NO MORE FLIGHTS

TELL JETBLUE NO WAY. We do not want or need more flights. Enough is enough. Quality of life is important and health concerns are at the top of the list.

Please think about your choices and make the right ones. We don't need more flights. Less people are flying after 911 and airlines are going broke anyway. So no more please. No more terminals or passengers either.



"Dunn, Lisa"
<lisa.dunn@nissan-us
a.com>

To: "airporteir@longbeach.gov" <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: NO AIRPORT EXPANSION

10/13/2003 11:27 AM

To whom it may concern:

My 10 year year old daughter has a problem going to sleep and wakes up when she hears th loud planes going overhead, she never had these problems before moving here 3 years ago. My dog hides under whatever he can when he hears these big loud planes going overhead. Everytime I talk on the phone I always have to tell the other party hold on while these loud jets go overhead, everytime I sit down and try and relax to watch a movie or the news I can't hear because of these loud jets, our children at Longfellow and Hughes schools are affected in many ways by these loud jets. We as tax paying residents should have a say in these airport matters, and I will continue to fight this expansion and let all my neighbors know about this.

Lisa Dunn
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10/13/2003 11:57 AM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov, airport@longbeach.gov
cc: R.gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: LB Airport Concerns

Hello. I want to keep this friendly and short. I am a voting citizen in the Bixby Knolls area of LB.

I completely understand the financial benefits of LB airport and that the money is greatly needed....but at what cost?

Please, please obtain a full and complete EIR. Please do this for the citizens of your city who live directly under the flight path. We want COMMUNITY SPECIFIC data. This is the ONLY way to identify how the increased flights impact the community.

Yes, we knew the airport was here when we bought (there were approx half the # of flights out of the airport when we purchased our home) but the addition of increased flights over the past 3 years has had a dramatic effect on our quality of life.

Please help!! Please demand a full and complete EIR!!

Thank you

Julie Fisher



"Carina Pollard"
<carina.pollard@verizon.net>

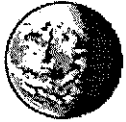
To: <airportair@longbeach.gov>
cc: <R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com>
Subject: "NO" to Expansion

10/13/2003 05:29 PM
Please respond to
carina.pollard

I am writing this letter to say "NO" on the Expansion. I live in the Bixby Knolls area and have 2 little girls. The noise disrupts their sleep and it makes them cry when the planes fly over. I also have a business that I run from my home and the noise is so loud it is embarrassing when I have customers on the phone. I can't hardly hear and I know they ask me what that loud booming noise is. I don't want any expansion, and if I could have it my way, no planes taking off or landing towards the west.

Sincerely,

Carina Pollard
4455 Myrtle Ave.
Long Beach, CA. 90807



"Mark/Carina Pollard"
<pollard59@hotmail.co
m>

To: airportair@longbeach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: "NO" on Expansion

10/13/2003 06:11 PM

I am writing to cast my vote as "NO" on the Expansion. It has really disrupted our lives here in Bixby Knolls. We have 2 children and when the planes fly by it is really deafning even to talk to one another. We literally have to stop talking and wait until the noise level comes down. Take the flights somewhere else like John Wayne airport; we don't want them here. It has hurt my wife's business and our quality of life. She has a home business and can't hear her customers when these planes take off. The companies are going to have to spend millions installing "HUSH KITS" or just keep being fined. Our neighbors will continue to call every night when we think that the decimal level is too high and when we think its too late. WE in simple terms--"-HATE IT".

Sincerely,

Mark Pollard
4455 Myrtle Ave.
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Monkutare1@aol.com

10/14/2003 01:03 AM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: EIR

Dear Sir or Madam:

My wife has asthma and has been hospitalized many times in the past. Anything that can be done to reduce flights at the Long Beach Airport would benefit her and many others like her.

I just don't understand how there can be any question that things as they are harm our residents. To add flights is unthinkable. The air pollution and noise pollution is a threat to all human beings. So please **DO SOMETHING** to stop it!

Yours truly,

Stephen H Ross

Bixby Knolls



The Westons
<westons@charter.net
>

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: We say NO to expansion of LB airport

10/14/2003 03:07 PM

Dear Ms. Angela Reynolds,

My husband and I are long time residents of Long Beach, specifically in the California Heights neighborhood, so we know what we speak of when it comes to airport noise and traffic. There is too much of it. Furthermore, there are more frequent late night take-offs, plus some very disturbing middle-of-the-night traffic as well. Clearly the fines for these violations is not enough since they happen quite regularly.

We love our home and our neighborhood, but truly detest the overly loud jets, the buzzing of the smaller Cessna type aircraft, and the constant battle of grit and grime that is deposited in our airspace.

Long Beach Airport is a municipal airport. It was never meant to be a heavy traffic hub. Therefore we respectfully request that expansion to the LB airport be denied.

Sincerely,
Dan and Maria Weston
3730 Rose Ave
Long Beach, CA 90807



Mark_Sarrett@Balboal
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10/14/2003 03:23 PM

To: airportair@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Airport Expansion

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

My name is Mark Sarrett. I reside at 1041 East Amelia Drive, Long Beach, 90807. I wanted to take this opportunity to voice my concern over the proposed expansion of the Long Beach Airport. I purchased my home in 1994, and I was aware of my home being in the takeoff flight pattern for the airport. Due to being in the flight pattern, I pondered my decision to buy the house very carefully, but I purchased the home due to the relatively low volume of flights at that time.

Since the purchase of my home, there has been a steady increase in flights until today where we have approximately 40 flights per day that take off over my home. The flights begin promptly at 7: 00 a.m., and many nights do not finish until well after 10:00 p.m.

The noise has become ridiculous and my life has been drastically effected by the volume and the frequency of the jet engine takeoffs and landings. I am suffering from the following issues that are a direct or indirect cause of the increased air traffic:

1. Disturbing my Home Life Enjoyment: When I am speaking on the telephone, watching television, listening to music or talk radio or just conversing with my friends in person, the overhead flight noise is so disturbing that I must make immediate adjustments. My choices are to stop speaking or turn the volume of my own electronic equipment up so high, just to not be inconvenienced by the noise. I recently remodeled my home and I installed double-paned glass to reduce the noise, but to no avail. You should spend some time in my house to feel the full effect of the overhead noise.
2. Disturbing my Home Office Environment: From time to time, my career requires that I conduct business from home. My job as a Vice President requires that I spend enormous amounts of time in concentrated telephone conversations and setting policies and procedures for those individuals who report to me. The frequent flights and their noise cause me to be less productive and disturb my opportunity to conduct business in a professional setting.
3. Health Issues: Unfortunately I suffer from insomnia. This disorder has become more prevalent in the past few years as flight noise increases and disturbs me while I am trying to catch sleep when I can. Knowing that a flight takes off every morning at 7:00 a.m., cannot be psychologically good for an individual, such as myself, that suffers from this issue. I also am taking medication for hypertension. The hypertension can have some of its roots at the fact that the constant noise overhead is upsetting and distracting. I am also very concerned that the pollution from the airliners is not healthy for me and the environment near and around my property. I also fear for the danger of a plane exploding upon takeoff around or over my property. The percentages for all of these issues cannot remain the same when more planes are allowed to takeoff in the same general flight pattern. The stress related to living so close to this active of an airport is causing me to reconsider living at my current address. Also, I worry that the value of my property is adversely effected by being so close to such an active airport. Remember, I chose to purchase this property when the airport was much less active than it is even today.

I understand that the NOP is using 2002 noise measurement data to determine whether the increased flight proposal will have an adverse effect on the community. Why doesn't the NOP use 2003 levels? Why doesn't the NOP use a better measurement tool? Isn't the better tool a noise monitor and not a mathematical equation?

Included in the EIR should be a discussion about the sociological impact of increased flights. How does the noise adversely effect society as a whole? How does it effect our children who are trying to learn? How will it effect our futures? How does the increased traffic pollute our lands? Has a ground water test been completed that illustrates the level of pollution in our ground water due to the fuels used in the airplanes and other airport-related service vehicles? What will the increased traffic do to the current levels? Are they not in compliance now?

We need Long Beach community-specific information, not standardized data. I urge you to develop a cumulative impact study that takes all of these factors into consideration before any more contemplation of this issue is considered.

I appreciate the opportunity to express my grave concern over this issue.

Sincerely,

Mark Sarrett
1041 East Amelia Drive
Long Beach, CA 90807
562.426.2346



"Andrew, Elizabeth @
IEC" <elizabeth.andrew
10/14/2003 04:50 PM

To: "airport@longbeach.gov" <airport@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: against increasing flights to Long Beach Airport

October 14, 2003

Ms. Angela Reynolds
Environmental Officer
Planning and Building
333 W. Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, CA 908025

RE: Against increasing flights to Long Beach Airport

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

I am a professional who has owned the home at the above address for 17 years. The home is in the landing path for Long Beach Airport. I accepted that upon the purchase of the property. My personal life is already disrupted by the flights. Increased flights would further affect my personal life to the point of severely affecting my quality of life.

Disturbance in my home and neighborhood quality of life: My personal sleep pattern is already interrupted by the roar of aircraft and other airport activity. If flights are increased, a normal night's sleep will be impossible.

My quality of life is already affected by the roar of aircraft and other airport activity. Now, planes fly over my home on their landing approach and I can not do normal activities such as hear or be heard while on a telephone call; hear TV, radio, or stereo; hear and be heard during normal daily conversations with others in my home. This I already accept, but can not tolerate any more flights.

Property values: Need I say more? This home is my retirement nest egg. Increasing flights will decrease the neighborhood property values. Now this is unacceptable. If your home were here, you would not even consider the notion of increasing flights.

Walk in our shoes: I challenge everyone involved in this decision to live for one week (7 days) in a home in both the landing pattern and take off pattern. You could not tolerate the current flights let alone the increased flights.

FYI: EVERY time anyone comes to my home as a guest or for repair projects, they ALWAYS comment on the noise and ALWAYS say, HOW CAN YOU STAND THAT NOISE? Seriously, think about it.

Would you want your mother, father, or child exposed to or living in this environment?

Respectfully,

Elizabeth Andrew
2325 Heather Ave.
Long Beach, CA
90815
562-494-4430



"Kathy Ryan"
<kathy@pro-placement
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To: <airportair@longbeach.gov>
cc: <r.gabelich@lbhush.com>
Subject: FW: Human Impact and Safety Concerns

10/14/2003 07:24 PM

From: Kathy Ryan [mailto:kathy@pro-placements.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 14, 2003 5:22 PM
To: 'airportair@longbeach.gov'
Cc: 'r.gabelich@lbhush2.com'
Subject: Human Impact and Safety Concerns

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You may also want to consider what you are forcing on the residence who have lived in their **homes** for years. The residence where people live is not just a house, it is a home, where memories are made. It should not be a cornerstone of adversity.

This is a request to have the City Manager not only prepare a report, but that it would demand that the human impact and safety concerns be added to the scope of the airport environmental impact report.

Kathy Ryan
Long Beach Citizen
5701 Lunada Lane
Long Beach, CA 90814
(562) 597-1540



"Kathy Ryan"
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To: <airportair@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: FW: Human Impact and Safety Concerns

10/14/2003 07:25 PM

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"Sivvorn Yem"
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To: airportair@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: aircraft noise

10/15/2003 09:21 AM
Please respond to
sivvorn

I live near Orange and Del Amo and everytime the plane goes by it's very loud and interrupts my phone conversations with friends, business, etc. And if I'm watching a movie or tv in general I cannot hear a thing. It's very annoying. It's made me think about moving out of Long Beach. And I may just sell my house and move in a year.

-Sivvorn

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"Neil Kinney"
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10/15/2003 09:37 AM

Please respond to
nkinney

To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc: <r.gabelich@lbhush2.com>
Subject: "NO" to the expansion of Long Beach Airport

To Angela Reynolds:

We moved to Long Beach about 3 years ago and the increased air traffic has been a big disappointment for us.

Our address is: 4212 Country Club Drive, Long Beach, CA 90807 (Near Virginia Country Club)

When the planes take-off from Long Beach Airport, apparently we are directly in the flight path. The noise is such that we can not hold a conversation, or can't hear the TV and it is quite a disruption for our sleeping children.

I would urge no more expansion of the airport. I would also urge that the plane's flight pattern stretch out further over the golf course and the freeway instead of flying directly over the neighborhood and over our house.

Thank you.

Neil Kinney
4212 Country Club Drive
Long Beach, CA 90807
562-988-1318



Bulsecoco@aol.com

10/15/2003 09:37 AM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: noise & pollution

I am completely against airport expansion.

Friends from surrounding cities say they use our airport because of the convenience of not having to hassle LAX -- I don't see this adding tourists or dollars to our city.

The airport is a noise and health pollution spewer and an accident just waiting to happen.

Developing that area with a new golf course surrounded by upscale homes and those surrounded by top of the line townhomes and light commercial business around that perimeter would generate enough of a property tax increase to more than make up for the loss of the airport. An airport the old timers in the neighborhood tell us was built to get planes off the assembly line NOT as a commercial entity. With Douglas selling out to Boeing and Boeing downscaling -- and able to move all facilities to other locations -- it's time to use the land for better use.

My old historic area of Los Cerritos is impacted hourly! If you check the airport sight you will note that the BEST month for No noise violations is only 14 days. The worst month -- August -- there was only one day that the noise ordinance was met -- that meant that 30 days in August the airport EXCEEDED the noise/time limitations.

Give us back quality of life and clean air! No More Expansion!

Pat Bulsecoco, Bulsecoco@aol.com, 4107 Country Club Drive, Long Beach, CA 90807

PS -- I have been very vocal about the airport with the council, Press Telegram and any time there is a place to voice an opinion by proxy -- I refuse to attend one more of the City's "dog and pony" shows that do not address the ongoing concerns since the first meeting I attended when my children were in elementary school at Los Cerritos -- this was in the early 80's -- 20 years have gone by and the idea that an airport in your backyard is not compatible with quality of life seems to elude the powers that be.



"Suzanne Helak"
<shelak@scsengineers.com>

To: AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV
cc: TO.R.GABELICH@LB HUSH2.COM
Subject: My Home and My Family vs Long Beach Airport

10/15/2003 10:22 AM
Please respond to
Shelak

I live in the 3900 block of Bixby Heights, within one mile of the take off runway of the airport. I have lived there for 15 years. I have coexisted with the airport quite nicely for the first 10 of those years. I've always felt that an occasional plane overhead was no big deal. I even liked looking up and seeing them pass overhead. But what was an occasional disruption and a point of interest for me has now turned into a constant birrage and assault upon me and my family. Let me tell you what the past five years and most markedly the past 2 years have been like:

Flights have increased in number and volume to the point of making my family's life unhealthy. We are startled and jolted out of a sound sleep by jet engines as early at 6am and 2am in the morning. We cannot hold a conversation INSIDE our home when a plane flies overhead because the sound is so deafening it drowns out everything and I mean everything, not even the loudest yell at the top of my voice can be heard! The vibrations literally shake every window and door. Forget any backyard parties or BBQ's, no social activity can be had with jet noise interruptions, literally minutes apart, constantly all day long. Phone conversations have to be halted every time a plane flies overhead. TV viewing is impossible. Forget trying to sleep in on a Saturday or Sunday morning. The airport sends out a series of planes just minutes apart beginning at 7am sharp. Some mornings as many as 5 or 6 planes in a row all within the first 1/2 hour!

To say this is unsettling is a gross understatement. Imagine someone following you around all day long, startling you by creeping up behind you and screaming BOO! in your ear every 5 to 10 minutes. The minute you fall asleep, BOO!, the minute you get on the phone and try to have a conversation, BOO!, the plot climax of your favorite TV show is about to be reavealed, BOO!, your kids are finally asleep, BOO! You are in the middle of dinner, BOO! Now take that visual image and multiply it by 10, that's our life. I bet the maximum legal decibel level of a heavy metal rock concert is lower than the loud jets that fly overhead every day.

Now, let me talk about the health aspects. While I'm sure none of this can be directly linked to airplanes or the frequency of low flying aircraft, I would like to mention them. Our home is constantly dusty, our patio chairs and BBQ are splattered with fine mists of "jet fuel?" or some other oily substances. I have to take allergy medication every day because my skin breaks out in welts from some unknown irritant. This is a condition that I have never had before 5 years ago. I have a constant "post nasal drip" from some unknown irritation in my throat and nasal passages. I've seen an allergist and an ear, nose and throat doctor, the cause of the irritations cannot be determined. So I take allergy medication to relieve the sypmtoms.

Well now, how about property values? How can I sell our house? Who would want to live under these conditions? What do you tell prospective buyers? "Oh, don't worry about the jet noise, you'll get used to it. You won't

even notice it in a few months." Baloney! If they don't notice it, it will be because they've gone deaf! How do you show your home? Try to figure out what time of day the air traffic is the lightest so you can "squeeze" in a prospective buyer?

Don't get me wrong. I'm not a plane hater. I love planes and military aircraft.

My husband, son and I, go to air shows and air museums regularly. I enjoyed living close to the airport, 10 years ago. How can we roll back time so that we get back to a kinder, gentler era? When the airport respected the rights of those living in its path and residents looked up with awe at the technology that could make a man fly?

We need to find a happy medium where respect for families and homeowners takes precedent over flight schedules. As far as I can see, the airport, airlines and our elected representatives could care less. Greed and money have taken over. It is obvious to me that no matter how many times I call to complain to the airport, the situation just gets worse. When Jet Blue's fines for late and loud flights are turned into "donations" to the city libraries for which they are commended, I need to make some noise of my own.

That's why I am writing this letter. Please do not increase flights at Long Beach airport.

Signed

Bixby Heights Homeowner of 15 years

P.S. Realizing that you won't take an anonymous letter seriously, I will identify myself to you, but I do NOT want my name made public, published, reproduced or used in any way. Thank you. Suzanne Helak

cc:

ANGELA REYNOLDS,
PLANNING & BUILDING 333 W. OCEAN BLVD. LONG BEACH 90802



GayleR35@aol.com
10/15/2003 12:53 PM

To: Airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: Expansion of Long Beach Airport

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

I've been a Long Beach resident since 1996. Unfortunately, I reside directly under the flight approach to the Long Beach Airport and can speak, firsthand, of how the expansion of the airport will have a negative affect on my life and the lives of my family. When I purchased my home in 1996, the seller disclosed the airport, however, in all my trips to the home, I never saw a commercial plane pass overhead, nor did I notice any loud and intrusive noise -- until the day escrow closed and I took possession of my new home. Since that day, I have learned to cope with the daily noise (which drowns out all telephone conversations), interruption to satellite service/transmission, the copious smell of airline fuel, the constant downdrafts of jet wash that cause the pool and spa to be littered with debris, and I have learned to pray and clutch my chest as I watch near misses occur over my little homestead.

Two years ago I had the opportunity to relocate to Houston, Texas. I placed my home for sale, at a competitive price, only to have my house remain on the market for 15 months unsold. At one point, I was in escrow with a buyer. However, as soon as they spent one hour in the home and witnessed the heavy airline traffic overhead, the deal was off. My hopes of relocating were dashed.

I've had to endure a lot living here, but I haven't any other choice. The thought of expanding the airport has me shaking my head and angry.

I have no idea what kind of long term health impact the airport is having on me and my family, but I can tell you we're miserable. Recent reports concerning fuel and fuel exhaust has me questioning whether or not to drain the pool and fill it in -- could we be swimming in petroleum waste and not know it?

Before Long Beach goes along with the expansion, someone better study this problem and get back to the residents -- otherwise, you're causing us all irreparable harm and damages.

Sincerely,
Gayle A. Risley
5231 E. Burnett Street
Long Beach, CA 90815
(562) 597-0077



Candice_Blansett@spe
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10/15/2003 01:04 PM

To: airportair@longbeach.gov
cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: Airport Expansion Concerns

When we bought our house in Bixby Terrace 5 years ago, I hardly noticed there was an airport nearby and was so excited to start my family in such a wonderful neighborhood. I now have two kids, both of whom have learned "airplane" as one of their first recognizable words because of the repeated interruption that airplane take-offs (and sometime landing depending on the weather) introduce to our dialogue. I am unable to work from my home office if I have conference calls to participate in because of the disruption it causes.

The dramatic addition of air traffic has come as an awful wake-up call to us in other areas as well. I couldn't understand why my patio furniture and pale yellow patio umbrella were covered in black soot within a day of cleaning them. I thought originally that there must have been a fire somewhere and that ashes were blowing all the way into Long Beach. I have now come to suspect that this is soot falling from the air as planes fly directly overhead. If this is how my furniture looks, I can only imagine what the cumulative damage to my family's health might look like: the air we breathe, the water we drink. Even my poor dog suffers: certain jets hurt the ears of the canines in our neighborhood and they respond with howling, which in turn results in complaints to the city about the noise that the dogs make. If only more people would voice their concern about the noise the planes make....! . (and how often they violate the restrictions around take-off times). I have had every intention to send my children to the wonderful public schools in my neighborhood, but am concerned that if I can't work from home with the noise, how can I possibly expect them to be able to focus on learning each day with the constant, audible interruptions of jets?

If this airport continues to expand and does so with such little concern and involvement of the impacted community it is supposed to serve, then I should probably start planning my move out of the neighborhood before my property is devalued to the point that I will have lost everything I have ever worked for. Please do the right thing for the people of Long Beach that have dedicated themselves to making these neighborhoods the best they can be for their families.

Candice Blansett
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"Draza O'Brien"
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To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: airport expansion

10/16/2003 12:09 AM

I am writing to request that all plans for airport expansion be stopped. I have lived in Long Beach since 1997 and have noticed an increase in the number of flights that wake my children and me. In addition to the noise factor I am extremely concerned about the health issues that accompany airport expansion. My home is located near Los Altos Park and is very near the flight path.

I am in favor of keeping ground facilities at an absolute minimum, and would like a full and complete Environmental Impact Report made available to the Long Beach City Council.

I say no to expansion of the Long Beach Airport and am in favor of all steps necessary to end expansion.

Sincerely,

Draza O'Brien
Bixby PTA President
Long Beach Resident

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"DuBon, Hector"
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To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc: <r.Gabelich@lbhush2.com>
Subject: No Expansion of Airport Facilities

10/16/2003 11:48 AM

This is to make a matter of record my strong opposition to the expansion/development of existing facilities at the LB Airport. Long Beach has very few liveable communities. Communities that are not beset by crime, drugs and urban decay. Cal Heights and Bixby Knolls are two of these rapidly vanishing communities. When I purchased my home in Cal Heights 15 years ago, I did so because I found it to be a safe environment with good schools for my children. There was and still is a sense of community that I had not found before in other areas I've lived in Los Angeles and Gardena. The flights at the airport are at best tolerable at this point in time. We have learned to live with the airport. We residents and homeowners already suffer from the pollution and noise emitted by planes on a non-stop daily basis. The late takeoffs disrupt our sleep. The early departures do not allow us to catch a few extra minutes of sleep on the weekends. Pollution from jets and general aviation rains down on us continuously. Expanding the facilities is an obvious attempt by the City to expand the number of flights at the airport. The city needs to consider the health, safety, and welfare of homeowners and residents in the Cal Heights and Bixby Knolls neighborhoods as a priority, rather than looking for ways to enrich the City's coffers, and putting the economic interest and profits of the airlines ahead of the interests of taxpaying, voting homeowners. Expansion will decrease property values and will lead to our beautiful neighborhoods becoming another blighted area on the Long Beach map. We chose to live in this area because of its architecture, low crime, good schools, and sense of community. Expansion of the airport facilities will eliminate all of these fine points. I beseech and urge you to NOT expand the facilities. Your attention to and consideration of this request is much appreciated. I can be reached at (310) 354-3400 or at (562) 988-0843, if needed.

Thank you.

H.E. DuBon
3734 Walnut Avenue
Long Beach, 90807



"Gillian Klinkert"
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To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: Fw: No to Expansion

10/16/2003 12:43 PM

Please respond to
"Gillian Klinkert"

----- Original Message -----

From: Gillian Klinkert

To: AIRPORTEIR@LNGBEACH.GOV

Cc: R.Gabelich@LBHush2.com

Sent: Thursday, October 16, 2003 12:41 PM

Subject: No to Expansion

We moved to Long Beach for the close knit community within the city. We do not need expansion of the airport when LAX is but a mere 20 minutes drive away. We do not want the extra noise; the current flights are annoyance enough. Nor do we need the added air pollution which increased air traffic would bring. Personally, we do not intend to use Long Beach airport, as we need to make a statement as to how it is in the community's interest to keep this a small operation (as initially promised by various authorities).
Gillian and Philip Klinkert
Richard Johnson



Kevin Lane
<geokevin@yahoo.co
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To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Airport Impact

10/16/2003 01:06 PM

Angela Reynolds
Environmental Officer

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

I oppose expansion of the Long Beach airport because, in my opinion, the current level of flights already adversely impacts my family's life more than I would like and indeed more than the regulations allow.

I am a long-term Long Beach resident. For the past 10 years my family has lived in a home near Orange and Carson. Occasional flights from noise-reduced planes during the promised flight windows are a manageable inconvenience to me and my family. Unfortunately, in recent years, a marked increase in flight levels, noisy planes and off-hours flights has had a distinct negative impact on my family's life.

Specifically:

- Planes that do not have proper noise-reduction equipment or planes that fly too low on takeoff wake my infant from his sleep 2-3 times a week. Research has consistently shown the deleterious effects have impacting a child's sleep pattern.
- My wife and I have noticed an increase in dust and particulate matter in our home consistent with the recent increase in flights. This dust negatively affects allergies, eye irritation, and general hygiene. I cannot, of course, PROVE that the planes are causing this problem. At the same time, I feel strongly that my neighborhood should be included in any environmental impact report PRIOR to decisions about the airport.

Until now, the complaints of residents have largely been ignored. I ask that you reverse this trend in supporting an unbiased, comprehensive environmental impact study as a basis for any airport expansion decisions.

Thank you,

Kevin Lane
1151 Claiborne

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Handsomeknight@aol.
com

10/16/2003 06:07 PM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Airport environmental impact report needs to include:

Angela Reynolds
Environmental Officer
Planning and Building
333 W. Ocean Blvd. 90802

October 15, 2003

Dear Ms Reynolds:

As regards the expansion of facilities at Long Beach Airport to accomodate the 41 flights approximate that have, mostly in the last year, begun flying out of Long Beach Airport, I am against the expansion. The obvious reason is that it is already having a negative impact on my family which lives in a nice house my family built 40 years ago after my father finished his stint as a navy officer stationed here. At the time, and while I was growing up, this area was much less impacted by noise from aircraft of all types as well as vehicular traffic noise from freeways and surface streets. The flight path for jets is currently about one and one-half miles from our house. Major surface streets running near our house and also near the airport include Lakewood Boulevard.

To focus, in the environmental impact report, on issues that are incidental to the quality of life resulting from airport facility enlargement, while purposely ignoring the obvious negative blows that the flights are having on noise-impacted residents in many neighborhoods is criminal. It is like assessing the impact of the manufacture of guns on the acres surrounding a factory without looking-at the environmental impacts on the human species which are being harmed with those guns.

There is no acceptable noise limit..... we should be working to eliminate the use of the airport by an estimated 3.9 million passengers (up 300% this year) when there are only 450,000 residents, or so, living here. Are we to be a toxic dumping ground for air passengers from surrounding cities?

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Sincerely,

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To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
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Subject: Fwd: Airport environmental impact report needs to include:

----- Message from Handsomeknight@aol.com on Thu, 16 Oct 2003 21:07:47 EDT -----

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Subject: Airport environmental impact report needs to include:

Angela Reynolds
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October 15, 2003

Dear Ms Reynolds:

As regards the expansion of facilities at Long Beach Airport to accomodate the 41 flights approximate that have, mostly in the last year, begun flying out of Long Beach Airport, I am against the expansion. The obvious reason is that it is already having a negative impact on my family which lives in a nice house my family built 40 years ago after my father finished his stint as a navy officer stationed here. At the time, and while I was growing up, this area was much less impacted by noise from aircraft of all types as well as vehicular traffic noise from freeways and surface streets. The flight path for jets is currently about one and one-half miles from our house. Major surface streets running near our house and also near the airport include Lakewood Boulevard.

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cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: L.B. Airport EIR

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"Guy Hutchinson"
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To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
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Subject:

10/16/2003 09:56 PM

October 16, 2003

I work 12 hour rotating shifts at BP's Carson refinery, when I get home after a night shift, the 7:00 AM takeoffs wake me out of a sound sleep. These takeoffs keep me awake throughout the day... Very noisy...

After arising at 4:15 AM to work a day shift, again for 12 hours I am ready for bed at 9 or 9:30 PM. At 10:15 PM I awake for the last round of late takeoffs. I cannot remember the last time there wasn't departures after 10:00PM.

My children attended St. Barnabas School for 9 years each. In all this time many of the teachers and students complained about how to work around the noise of the airliners as they leave Long Beach Airport. All of this noise affects the ability of students to learn. If measured throughout the school day there is a significant amount of time that is wasted waiting for the noise to pass out of the area. This is not fair to students or teachers.

The noise and traffic negatively affect my home and family daily. We suspend personal conversations, phone conversations and awake at all hours of the day and night. We are forced to endure additional pollution from jet engine exhaust and leaking fluids of unknown content. We don't need an expanded airport!

With the announcement that the "noise bucket" is full and no additional flights will be allowed there is NO REASON to expand the airport facilities. The airport will negatively impact property value. My wife and myself planned to retire here, we bought a nice home here in Bixby Knolls. If the airport expands, the quality of life will be so low, property value will be so low that this neighborhood will turn into a blighted and unliveable area. This will drive tax revenues down and allow the whole area to turn into a new South Central LA neighborhood. We do not want to see this happen. Although, by that time we will be gone from this now beautiful community.

Guy & Linda Hutchinson

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Subject: Proposed Airport Expansion

10/17/2003 07:51 AM
Please respond to
karenlfox

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to add my voice to those of my neighbors protesting the increased activity in Long Beach airport.

I have personally noticed flights occurring well outside the supposed curfews enforced for commercial airlines--flights as late as 11:29 p.m. and as early as 6:48 a.m., in other words, during conventional sleeping hours.

Also, as a teacher at California State University, Long Beach, I am often interrupted in class by low overhead flights which interfere both with my ability to hear student responses and with their ability to understand me. These practical concerns affect the quality of life for all of us on the east side of Long Beach and need to be addressed in any plans for airport expansion.

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"Peter Wu"
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10/17/2003 08:52 AM
Please respond to pwu

To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: Opinion

I have been a lifetime Long Beach resident and someone with great pride and interest in Long Beach. My wife and I moved into the Artcraft Manor area of Long Beach a few years ago with the hope of starting a new family in the serene and friendly neighborhood. After recently having an infant girl, I realized that our neighborhood is going to be besieged with more flights going in and out of the airport and my daughter's quality of life is going to be effected by extra noise, pollution, and people. The Long Beach Airport has always been the "common people".... meaning offering services for commuter flights rather than commercial flights. Upon seeing that the airport is subject to expansion, my wife and I have decided to put our house on the market before the property values decline further. Hopefully, we will be living in neighboring Seal Beach soon.

Kind regards,
Peter Wu, another Long Beach resident disillusioned with the city.



WRW7@aol.com

10/17/2003 01:00 PM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: No to LB Airport Expansion

As a resident and homeowner in Long Beach since 1972 I strongly oppose the proposed airport expansion.

My personal sleep pattern is disrupted by current airport activity, particularly when I have to sleep during the day due to occasional shift work.

My quality of life is adversely affected by the current level of airport activity.

I also have health concerns that airport expansion would affect such as increased air and ground water pollution and increased noise pollution.

Any noise measurement data used in evaluations should be true noise measurements monitored when 41 flights are in force and measured on the airport runway.

All studies related to air quality or air toxins should be community specific data not standardized data.

The environment in Long Beach is currently impacted by the port, nearby oil refineries, surrounding freeways, increased population and overcrowding and the

current airport activity.

'NO' to airport expansion.

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Hoorae1@aol.com
10/17/2003 03:28 PM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Fwd: eir

----- Message from john green <jpkmgreen@yahoo.com> on Fri, 17 Oct 2003 14:52:56 -0700 (PDT) -----

To: angela_reynolds@longbeach.gov

cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com

Subject: eir

"If you build it, they will come!". This famous line from a popular movie pretty well describes what the city is doing by expanding the facilities at OUR airport. To make the facilities more attractive to airlines, is to invite more flights with their accompanying environmental assaults on the health and mental well being of the people of Long Beach. This at a facility in which the airlines already exceed the limits of the agreement they entered into with the city. There are still over 20 slots that can be used by what are euphemistically called "commuter airlines". Those aircraft make just as much noise and spew just as many pollutants into the environment as the larger planes do. To expand the capacity of the terminal to handle more passengers will encourage commuter airlines to utilize the vacant slots. It will also make Long Beach more important as a regional airport to the FAA. This is a cruel slap in the face to the people who will be impacted by the noise and air pollution produced by any expansion to this facility.

Further, The law regarding an environmental impact study is pretty clear in regards to scope. It is abundantly clear to the people impacted by the airport what the city is trying to do by attempting to limit the scope of the report. Of course the buildings and parking structures will have little, if any impact, on the people. It is the noise and pollution that the buildings and parking lots will attract that will make an already intolerable situation even worse. Rest assured that unless the EIR addresses the issues of the increased impact on the health and quality of life of the citizens who live in the environmental footprint of the airport, the city will face more lawsuits, and we will remember those who worked in our behalf at election time.

John Green

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To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc: <R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com>
Subject: "No" to Expansion of the LB Airport

10/17/2003 03:31 PM

As a long-time resident of the Virginia Country Club (and previously Cal Heights) area, I am writing to tell you that I am NOT in favor of expanding the LB Airport. Over the last year, the noise from the departing planes has becoming unbearable. Cal Heights/ Bixby Knolls/ Virginia Country Club is one of the best residential areas of Long Beach, and we should not let it deteriorate due to noise and pollution from the airport. When the planes depart, I can't hear myself think, much less carry on a telephone conversation. My dog is terrified by the noise. I can't enjoy my backyard anymore, because the noise from the planes is so disturbing. My patio is constantly covered with soot and immediately after the morning onslaught of departing planes the air smells of jet fuel. This area is a beautiful, historical area and we must protect it. Please stop the expansion of Long Beach Airport.

Thank you,
Nancy J. Fox
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10/17/2003 03:31 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: Fwd: FEEDBACK

----- Message from Joseph_Valles@ahm.honda.com on Fri, 17 Oct 2003 11:56:06 -0700 -----

To: R.gabelich@lbhush2.com

cc: "Gutierrez, Paul A." <paul.gutierrez@med.va.gov>

Subject: FEEDBACK

To Who It May Concern,

I attended last night's Scoping Meeting and felt that it was very informative! Be expecting my donation within the next week! Personally, I feel that it's very important for city council (who have a direct influence whether the proposed expansion will be taking place or not) fully understand the issues that we have and what we experience every single day not only in terms of the commercial flights arriving and departing Long Beach but all the freight carrying flights and smaller recreational flights that constantly circle around and above us everyday, all day!

I am sure you are familiar with the expression "walk a mile in my shoes", well, I feel that city council needs to walk a mile in our shoes to fully understand how we really feel about the noise and air pollution that exists due to the current 41 commercial flights and most importantly probable increased flights in the future. In order to accomplish this, I propose that we recruit Mr. Rob Webb to coordinate and encourage his fellow councilmen to actually visit our neighborhoods, our homes, our schools, our parks, and other areas that would be severely impacted by the proposed airport expansion and most likely the probable consequences this expansion will cause.

In addition, I would like to propose the most prominent community real estate agent(s) to conduct tours of our hidden treasures, Cal Heights, Bixby Knolls, Los Cerritos, and Virginia Country Club in order for city council to fully understand the impact on our beautiful and prime residential real estate. I strongly feel that city council members whose districts are not directly impacted be reminded (if they are not already aware) of the historical value that exists in our community and request that they be as protective in preserving our residential treasures and business community, and I would like to add, its very significant tax base!

These are just a few suggestions that I would like to recommend but I need a powerful voice like LBHUSH to help implement my suggestions, that is if you feel they are warranted

If you require any additional information, please feel free to contact me, anytime.

Regards,

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10/17/2003 03:46 PM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
cc:
Subject: NOP comments - Caltrans D.7

To: Ms. Angela Reynolds et. al. - -

Thank you for the opportunity to respond by E-mail. Attached is an electronic-file copy of a letter of comment from my Office. A paper copy of the letter also was put into the U.S. mail earlier today.

(See attached file: 030966DC LBairportTermnlAreaNOP.doc) (See attached file: 030966encl Traffic Study Elements.doc)

Yours truly,

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cc: r.gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: L.B. Airport EIR

October 14, 2003

Angela Reynolds
Environmental Office
Planning and Building
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Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

I am writing to speak up regarding the proposed expansion of the Long Beach Airport ground facilities and the recent increase in the number of flights.

My husbands and my personal life have been adversely affected by the growth at the Long Beach Airport, and, therefore, we do not want the Airport ground facilities expanded to allow more growth.

- 1) Our sleep is regularly disturbed at all hours of the night. Just this morning we were awoken at 5:00am by a landing aircraft. It is a common occurrence to be awoken between 11:00pm and 6:00am by incoming aircraft, sometimes several times in one night. Being awoken during the night doesn't allow for a good night's sleep.
- 2) If our windows are open, aircraft noise drowns out the television, radio and conversation.
- 3) Enjoying our backyard is much harder now with the recent increase in flights. Our backyard barbecues are frequently interrupted by loud aircraft, drowning out conversations.
- 4) Black soot from aircraft fuel deposits on our house and in our yard.

Expanding the airport ground facilities will enable more flights into the Long Beach Airport which will worsen the adverse effects I just wrote about. I believe the growth of the Long Beach Airport is adversely impacting communities within Long Beach much more than anyone realizes or wants to acknowledge. Before any expansion occurs at the Airport, I believe it is very important to conduct a community specific study to measure the true environmental and human impact of this Airport growth. To be accurate, this study must include current 2003 data.

I strongly urge you to obtain a full and complete Environmental Impact Report identifying all impacts of the Long Beach Airport expansion at and outside the airport. Please do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Mary Lockwood
2110 Faust Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90815

Cc: R. Gabelich



Thomas Zink
<tomzink@ix.netcom.com>

To: AIRPORTEIR@LONGBEACH.GOV
cc:
Subject: Hush Meeting 10-16-03

10/17/2003 06:08 PM

Dear Angela

It seems (based on the ideas presented in the meeting) that the entire focus of the study will be to determine the environmental impact of the facility enlargement itself, and not the overall environmental impact of the current slot usage. It further seems as though there is little that the City Of Long Beach can do to reduce the current levels, as it is exclusively the decision of the FAA as to the number of slots. Finally, it seems that the size of the airport and its available facilities is really the only factor that is influenced by local decision making bodies such as the city council.

Therefore it is imperative in my mind that if airport growth is to be controlled, it must occur in the area of facilities growth. The Airport manager spoke on Thursday evening assuring us that this facility improvement would in no way spur airport growth (in terms of slot demand). I'm not certain if he is intentionally attempting to deceive the citizens of Long Beach, or if he is just incredibly ignorant of the requisites of growth. There can be little doubt in the mind of a rationally thinking individual (based on innumerable historical examples from the LA area alone) that the first step to increased airport usage, flight capacity and FAA mandated flight slots is the "improvement" (make that enlargement) of existing facilities. Currently, the FAA bases their slot allotment solely on noise levels. This is, however a very malleable measurement. There are many ways to determine and weigh the various measurements of noise (for example taking instantaneous versus averaged noise levels), and the overall allowable levels could easily be made to show that more slots are acceptable. Therefore, I reiterate that (whether you are for or against airport growth) the only way to exert local control over such growth is through facility management. Smaller facilities simply will not allow out of control growth, or increased flight capacity.

I believe that you must find a way to quantify the environmental impact that this facility enlargement will have not just in terms of the new structures themselves, but rather the INEVITABLE airport growth and FAA mandated slot increases that are certain to follow if the project is approved. . Anything less would be disingenuous, and show a disregard for the residents of Long Beach.

Thank you for your time,
Thomas Zink



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So why should we local residents put up with larger buildings that accomodate more people, many of whom will be coming from outside the city? If there are only 450,000 residents and 3.9 million projected passengers next year then we Long Beach residents will be sacrificing our own convenience for a messy situation with more vehicular traffic, further distances from park to terminal and less ease of use within the new larger terminal building, at least in terms of walking distances within the terminal. Please don't think a people-mover cart within the terminal will make up for these inconveniences of increased scale because such carts are actually a stress producer for persons on foot or waiting for a cart. (Persons on foot have to worry about being hit by one of these or at least avoid them which takes extra attention and makes for a more stressful experience. The current building, being smaller, does not need to offer such carts.. it is convenient.)

The obvious loser in all of this are the residents who use the airport as it is presently configured with the smaller buildings. The smaller buildings are simply more convenient and less stressful to use. Having larger facilities will only attract more outsiders who will trample the nice, classy, little terminal we now have. Bigger is not better in terms of pleasure of use for Long Beach residents. How many residents drive to John Wayne so they can have the pleasure of navigating a bigger airport terminal and parking area with more people moving through them.

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"Ronan Cohen"
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To: <airporteir@longbeach.gov>
cc:
Subject: Kill the airport expansion.

10/17/2003 09:56 PM
Please respond to
RonanCohen

Clearly, there are vocal and concerned citizens in Long Beach who do not want to see the Long Beach airport expanded. Based upon their attendance and objections at the meeting you have sponsored, they are willing to act with their votes. I am not aware of any similar movement in favor of the expansion.

The noise limitation is a ruse. If the noise ordinance is the only limitation on flights then there will be more flights just as soon as the airplane manufacturers figure out how to make slightly quieter airplanes. This will happen sooner rather than later. In fact, I suspect that Jet Blue, (which flies only new planes) will attempt to demonstrate that their newer planes already make less noise than the ordinance allows and will demand increased landings as soon as they fill the slots they have.

It is unimaginable to believe otherwise.

I am not aware why the City Council is so keen to expand the airport. Obviously, the more we accommodate Jet Blue and the other airlines, the more they will want to use the airport. By keeping Long Beach small and rather inconvenient we will reduce the desire to use this airport.

I want to add my name to a growing list of voters who do not want the airport expanded under any circumstances.

You are elected to represent the people. This is what the people want.

Ronan Cohen
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Frank.Perry@pb.com

10/18/2003 08:09 AM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
cc: R.Gabelich@lbhush2.com
Subject: Expansion of LB Airport

I urge the City of Long Beach to conduct an Environmental Impact Report before any expansion is considered.

Here in my home the noise effects the family in several ways.

It would be possible for me to work remotely from my home if the noise from the airport didn't deafen the ability to make client telephone calls possible.

More importantly, we can not carry out an uninterrupted family conversation or simple sit down in the evening to share a movie without planes taking off obscuring our ability to hear the TV or each other for many seconds at a time. We have to stop talking and stare at each other awaiting the planes ascension. It's maddening.

If it gets any worse, there is no doubt in my mind that we would move out of Long Beach all together.

Frank

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10/18/2003 12:38 PM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
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Subject: Fwd: airport expansion

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Subject: airport expansion

My name is Donna McCoy. My husband Bert and I live in the California Heights neighborhood of Long Beach. We are very much opposed to airport expansion. Since moving into the neighborhood over one year ago, our quality of life has been affected as a result of living so close to Long Beach Airport. Our sleep is disrupted in the evenings and in the mornings due to planes taking off and landing at all hours of the day and night. It has also affected our children's sleep. Further, due to the noise pollution, it is sometimes very hard to hear another family member talking in the house because the vibrations are so great.

We are also concerned about all of the pollutants that are being generated by the aircraft.

Anyways, thank you for your time and consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bert and Donna McCoy



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10/18/2003 01:56 PM

To: <airport@longbeach.gov>

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Subject: NO ON PERMANENT AIRPORT EXPANSION!!!

Hello,

I live under the take-off area of Long Beach airport in Cal Heights. I strongly urge an Health assessment along with the EIR used to determine if the city will make permanent facilities, but please read my comment below.

It's best to not make permanent facilities at LB airport for the simple reason that if those who use it are uncomfortable with the temporary facilities, SO WHAT let those who use LB airport be uncomfortable. If the temporary facilities were unsafe, they would be illegal to use....So the city shouldn't spend the money for permanent facilities to pamper those who only spend a couple of hours at the airport awaiting flights anyways. I think Long Beach residents are the ones who should be pampered with results to our requests for the EIR and the impacts on our health. This whole issue goes beyond noise which is intolerable... The old saying if you build it they will come....will bring disaster down in the future. Please stop spending city revenue on facilities that serve mostly ORANGE COUNTY RESIDENTS while degrading the lifestyle, health, and property values of those who are LONG BEACH RESIDENTS. The best way to keep Long Beach airport to a minimum is to make it inconvenient. Long Beach shouldn't taylor this airport to take the pressure down the road for the inevitable need for commerical airline capacity shortages... Permanent facilities will foster growth. Please Long Beach representitives, please represent Long Beach!!!

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10/19/2003 09:13 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov
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Subject: EIR: Airport Expansion

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We wish to object to the expansion of the airport terminal buildings in any form, since this will enable future increases in the number of passengers using the facility, and coincidentally increase the number of vehicles making their way through residential neighborhoods to the airport.

The EIR should examine the following:

1. The noise bucket that currently exists is exceeded on a daily basis with the "minimum" number of take-offs & landings, the worst offenders being American Airlines & Federal Express (we can see who they are, as they take over almost directly above us). Any increase in aircraft size will only exacerbate this situation.
2. The City Attorney's office is obviously "in the pocket" of the airlines, as the recent agreement/library "donation" gives the airlines virtual carte-blanche to offend beyond the curfew time for the next three years with impunity (why can't I come to this same arrangement with illegal parking in the city?). The scheduling of aircraft movements needs to be enforced rigorously: the noise at late hours is a definite impact on the local environment;
3. The noise bucket should be examined on the basis of recent studies of aircraft noise in Denmark and Sweden, wherein high blood pressure, deleterious effects on hearing, learning disabilities and lowering of learning and comprehension in students were just some of the observed effects of airport flight paths in close proximity to schools and homes;
4. Aircraft movements, both incoming and outgoing, create environmental hazards from jet fuel residues, adding to an already stressed environment caused by the 710 diesel clouds.

The EIR must be carried out by consultants who are demonstrably and visibly NOT connected to the City, the Councillors, City personnel or any person directly involved with the airport/airlines/airport suppliers etc. In fact, we think a legally-binding statement of independence (not drawn up by the City Attorney's office!) should be produced.

We are going to copy the above in a letter to the Press Telegram, since we think the points raised are very relevant.

Thank you for incorporating our comments into the EIR "brief".

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Subject: EIR

10/19/2003 09:39 PM

As a resident of Long Beach who lives directly beneath the flight path of the airport I have several issues that I feel need be addressed in the EIR for the terminal area improvements.

First of all, the City of Long Beach should have hired an external, independent agency to conduct the EIR. It is absurd that the city or its specific designee should prepare such a report when there is an obvious conflict of interest.

Secondly, even though the enhancements being addressed by the EIR are only in the airport area, it is critical that the EIR address the environmental issues that impact the surrounding neighborhoods. The quality of life and the general well being of residents have been directly and negatively affected by the expansion of the airport over the past two years. It is because of this expansion that the new terminal enhancements are "needed" to support the increase in passengers. The expansion has not received the full scrutiny of an EIR because of the temporary nature (which would become permanent with these enhancements) and thus all aspects of the enhancements must be addressed.

1. Environmental concerns:
 1. Levels of particulate matter from jet exhaust, measured accurately from many vantage points on the ground
 2. Size of particulate matter
 3. Groundwater contamination from all airport activities including exhaust across all affected areas running into the water table

II. Health effects of the number of flights currently operating at LB airport measured throughout the neighborhoods under and adjacent to the flight path to include

1. Projected health effects of measured particulate matter in terms of
 - a. Increase in number and severity of asthma, emphysema, and other respiratory illnesses
 - b. Increase in cancer risk to the population
 - c. Increase in anxiety disorders
2. Projected health effects of noise from airport activity
 - a. Impact of noise on hearing of residents
 - b. Impact of noise on learning of school children under flight path
 - c. Impact of noise on sleep patterns of children and adults

All these health effects should be assessed for different cohorts such as children, adults, and seniors.

III. Property Values

Address the projected influence on real estate values and projected property tax revenues. Who wants to buy a home underneath the dirty, loud planes?

IV. Effect on Quality of Schools

Several schools under the flight path are CA distinguished schools and have earned awards for excellence in education. The interference suffered from the noise and the adverse health effects on the children must be addressed.

City officials continue to insist that there is no intent to increase the number of flights from the current 41/25. However, historical analysis shows that if there is financial gain and political pressure to increase the number of flights, Long Beach has done so. Therefore, the EIR must address not only the current number of flights at the airport, but also to calculate the environmental impact if the airport is utilized to its future maximum capacity.

Sincerely,

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10/20/2003 08:31 AM

To: airpoteir@longbeach.gov
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Subject: Terminal Area Improvements EIR

I request that the Terminal Area Improvements EIR include the following components:

Consideration that the terminal area improvements will lead to additional airport traffic, and what the affects of that additional traffic will have on the environment, the residents and property values in surrounding communities;

A human health risk assessment;

A new methane gas study; and

An examination of the cumulative effects of the freeway systems, ports, refineries and airport expansion (made possible by the terminal area improvements) will have on Long Beach.

Respectfully,

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10/20/2003 11:55 AM

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Subject: neighborhood quality of life

I live with my family in the California Heights neighborhood just west of Long Beach Airport. I understand that an EIR is being considered regarding the Long Beach Airport. Please include a sociological evaluation that focuses on the impacts on neighborhood quality of life & property values at today's flight number limits, as well as maximum utilization potential of proposed development. Also, please don't use 2002 noise measurement data. The noise has increased since the number of flights has increased & new noise measurement should be performed.

The amount of time that we, as a family have is limited as a result of school, work, soccer, etc. Therefore, the time we spend together is precious. It is unacceptable to have an increase in the amount of interruptions we have as a result of airplane noise. We have a hard enough time communicating with each other secondary to airport noise. I want to be clear that I am against any increase in the number of flights in to and out of Long Beach Airport. The amount we have now is also unacceptable.

Regards,

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10/20/2003 01:24 PM

To: airporteir@longbeach.gov

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Subject: Re: Scoping for Long Beach Airport EIR

RE: Scoping for Long Beach Airport EIR:

We join thousands of other Long Beach residents who are negatively impacted by the increased flights over our home; we live in the Third District on East 11 Th. Street, under the landing pattern. We have used the LB Airport terminal and have enjoyed the convenience of leaving from and arriving in LB, but believe there are too many flights which are causing excessive noise and air pollution. We have found the present terminal facilities adequate, with no need for expansion. Any airport EIR should include a study of health, safety, noise and property values.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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10/20/2003 02:12 PM

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Subject: LB Airport letter

October 20, 2003

Ms. Angela Reynolds, Environmental Officer
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Dear Ms. Reynolds,

This letter is to provide you with my comments and suggestions regarding the preparation of the EIR for the L.B. Terminal Area Improvements.

- 1) Expand the EIR scope of the geographical study to include all of Long Beach, West Long Beach, East Long Beach, the Port, and the 710 & 405 freeway adjacent areas.
- 2) Include a study on the human health impact from the terminal area improvements, including the human health impact from the anticipated increased airport activity from the expansion. Activity to include: increased number of general aviation flights, increased number of automobile activity, increased number of truck and ancillary vehicles, increased number of servicing operations.
 - a. Include a study of the effects of methane, diesel particulate matter and all other chemicals resulting in aircraft and airport operations and automobile use – using new and current data to evaluate the impact. This study should also include the effects all of the chemicals have synergistically and reactions caused by atmospheric and solar effects.
 - b. Include a current study of Dispersion Modeling for particulates and look at the dispersion levels of current flights per day, and at the increase in dispersion levels of anticipated increased general aviation activity.
 - c. Include a current study of the effects of noise pollution from the current airport usage level to the level from increased activities, including physiological and psychological hazards.
 - d. Include a study of changes in air quality resulting from the increased motor vehicle activity as a result of the airport expansion of its parking spaces
- 3) Include a study on the economic impact from the anticipated increased airport activity resulting from the improvements. Do not use multiplier assumptions. Use a spreading model with the airport as the focus.
 - a. Include the anticipated decreased quality of life in the area. Include the negative economic impact to Long Beach from decisions of future homeowners to not move into the area because the expansion of the airport demonstrates that Long Beach continues

to employ the idea of "spoiling its nest" for the neighborhoods currently impacted by the expansion.

b. Include a study of the decrease in housing prices for the neighborhoods most severely affected.

4) Include a study of the maximum amount of operations with the terminal improvements. Consider that the current configuration of the airport facility is running at 300% of capacity, and that the proposed improvements will increase the capacity. What is the maximum amount of operations with the improvement, plus 300%?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Lorraine Fitton

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I attended the 10/16 EIR Scoping Meeting at the LB Energy Facility and I concur with each and every concern that was documented at that meeting. What I also want this EIR to address is the impact of traffic near intersections, and on the 405 at the on ramps/off ramps closest to the airport. We need to see data on traffic accidents prior to the airport expansion and now. I know, I worked in a Hughes/Raytheon Facility building that sits almost directly on the 105 freeway at the Nash Street on/off ramps. From our office windows we could watch accidents occur at almost any given time of the day. Not only are we living with dangerous airport pollution and just the most stressing noise, but we have a freeway that cannot accommodate the dangers of airport traffic congestion and will further add to the destruction that this airport brings to the Long Beach community.

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